

Weight and Body Fat

How does it work?

While body fat can be measured in many ways, the method used in your scale is bioelectrical impedance. This indirect method of determining body fat starts when a safe and very low electrical current is sent through the lower half of the body. The electrical current flows more quickly through water and muscle than it will through bone and fat. The scale measures the speed of the current. Based on this number, the scale estimates body fat using a multi-step, mathematical formula.

Is it accurate?

Measurements of body fat tend to fluctuate a lot more than simple weighing, and different methods of estimating body fat yield very different results. Just as different scales give different results, different body fat analyzers can provide very different body fat estimates. Even with the same scale the numbers will vary because:

- Weight loss tends to produce substantial, continuous, and unpredictable changes in body water content. Because body fat analysis is determined by water content in the body, results can vary considerably from day to day.
- Hydration status affects body fat results. If you've just worked out, there is less water for the electrical current to flow through. This may result in a higher body fat result. In the same way, if you measure your body fat after drinking a lot of fluid, it may appear that body fat is lower than it really is.
- Skin temperature can have an influence also. Measuring body fat in warm humid weather when skin is moist will yield a different result than if skin is cold and dry.
- As with weight, when your goal is to change body composition it is better to track trends over time than to use individual daily results.
- Results may not be accurate for persons under the age of 16, or persons with an elevated body temperature, diabetes or other health conditions.

What you need to know!

- Percent body fat refers to the number of pounds of fat divided by your total body weight and multiplied by 100.
- During weight loss, percent body fat doesn't appear to be reduced as quickly as expected because total weight loss and total body fat are decreasing at the same time (for a more detailed explanation, see next section).
- Weight loss in the form of body fat and lean tissue (muscle) is common, and is normal.
- To minimize the loss of lean tissue, include regular physical activity, especially strength training, in your weight-loss plan.

Why do I lose weight but my body fat percentage doesn't change much?

Most body fat monitors show body fat as a percentage only. This body fat monitor shows you not only a percentage but the actual number of body fat pounds (in fact, this is the measurement you see after your weight is displayed). Why is that important? When you lose weight, both the numerator (pounds of body fat) and denominator (total body weight) go down, so when it's calculated as a body fat percentage, the number can be small. For example, a person may weigh 200 pounds and have 40% body fat (= 80 pounds of body fat). He/She loses 20 pounds, but the body fat has only dropped 4% to 36%. That 4% of body fat was 16 pounds of fat – a very significant amount! So do not be overly concerned if you do not see the percentage change quickly as you are losing weight: monitor the absolute number of body fat pounds lost. Remember, to minimize the loss of lean tissue, include regular physical activity, especially strength training, in your weight-loss plan.

About BMI

BMI stands for Body Mass Index, a statistical term derived from height and weight.

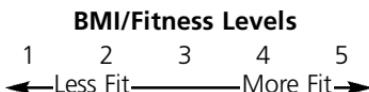
It is closely linked to body fat and health outcomes. Over 50 organizations, including the US Government and the World Health Organization, have adopted BMI guidelines. BMI is inversely related to fitness, meaning that the higher your BMI, the less likely you are to be fit. Every time your body fat monitor reads your weight and calculates your body fat, it also calculates your BMI. Along with your weight and your body fat measurements, the BMI reading gives you yet one more tool to monitor your health and fitness.

General guidelines for BMI are as follows:

BMI less than 19: underweight
BMI 19–25: healthy weight
BMI 25–30: overweight
BMI over 30: obese

About BMI Levels

In order to make your body fat and body water readings more accurate, your monitor automatically calculates a BMI level for you, based on the personal data you have entered, as well as measurements the scale takes. Why is that important? People with different BMIs have differences in muscle mass and body water levels. Do not be alarmed if you do not see rapid changes to your category level: generally, your level will change as you lose weight and become more fit. These changes happen gradually, though, and you may not see them reflected for a few months of consistently following a diet and exercise regimen.



L3 is the “normal” mode and is often selected at the start of a training/weight loss program. Most people fall into this category. Its activities are characterized by:

- low level aerobics
- limited physical activity: less than 2 times/week
- less than 20 minutes per activity

L4 is used by people who have improved overall wellness and fitness:

- moderate daily exercise: 20 minute workouts, 5 times/week
- activities: cycling, jogging, brisk walking, raking leaves, tennis, aerobics

L5 is used by highly active individuals whose workouts are based both on endurance and strength over an extended period of time:

- daily workouts to include the activities below
- 5-10 minute warm up; several 20-30 minute workouts per week dedicated to muscular strength (often weight lifting), muscular endurance (pushups, sit-ups, weight training for all major muscle groups), cardio respiratory endurance (jogging, swimming, rope-jumping, rowing, racquetball); 10-12 minutes of stretching; 5-10 minute cooldown

Make the most of it!

To summarize, make the most of the body fat analysis feature by:

- Tracking change over time and not day to day.
- Using the same scale as much as possible.
- Being extra-consistent in the time of day, day of the week, time before or after food and fluid consumption, before or after exercise, etc., when measuring body

fat composition.

Always keep in mind that you know your body best. The following ranges of Body Fat Percentages are offered as guides:

Healthy Range of Body Fat Percentage	Age	Females	Males
	18–39	21–32%	8–19%
	40–59	23–33%	11–21%
	60–79	24–35%	13–24%

Body Water/Hydration Levels:

According to the World Health Organization (WHO, 2001), the percentage of body water should lie within the following ranges:

Women: 50–55%
Men: 60–65%
Children: 65–75%

While a scale/body fat monitor can be a useful tool on your weight-loss journey, it's not in and of itself a program for losing weight. Studies show that people lose three times more weight on Weight Watchers than they do on their own.*

*Heshka S, et al. Two-Year Randomized Controlled Study of Self-Help Weight Loss vs. A Structured Commercial Program. The FASEB Journal 2001; 15(4):A623

Important Information Concerning Weight Management

Your scale is the best tool for monitoring weight. While not the only measure of weight loss, scales are the most popular method used to gauge weight-loss success. A scale measures the sum of your total body weight, which includes bone, muscle, fat, and water.

Body weight fluctuates during the day, and from day to day, depending on a variety of factors.

- Salt and carbohydrate intake can affect the body's water retention.
- A large meal adds weight and can cause water retention.
- Dehydration from exercise, illness, or low fluid intake can result in weight loss.
- Muscle is also a factor. Heavy-duty resistance training can build muscle, which can affect weight.
- The menstrual cycle can cause temporary weight gains and losses.

When You're Losing Weight

It's important not to put too much stock in the exact number on the scale, because it can and will vary. This is especially true when you're dieting. Small weight gains and losses are common as your body adjusts to fewer calories and more exercise. Your scale is a valuable tool when used to track weight over a period of weeks and months. Be aware that different scales often give different results. The scale at your doctor's office may show one weight, and your scale at home another. **So don't get too caught up with a single number.**

Don't Overdo It!

A surefire way to get overly concerned with your weight is to weigh yourself too often. We generally recommend weighing yourself no more than once a week when you're dieting. Though it's hard to stick to this pattern, it's the best way to prevent unnecessary concern with normal weight fluctuations, which are unrelated to your weight-loss efforts. Regardless of your weighing habits, it's important that you're consistent.

Here are 5 rules for effectively monitoring your weight – weigh yourself:

- Once a week, on the same day of the week
- At the same time of day
- In the same place
- Wearing the same clothes
- Using the same scale

To keep track of your weight, record only one number for the week. This will give you a clear picture of any trend your weight is following.

When You're Maintaining Weight

Fluctuations in day-to-day weight tend to be smaller when weight is stable, so a more frequent weigh-in pattern is helpful. To maintain a stable weight:

- Weigh yourself more often than once a week.
- Use the "5-pound rule" – research shows that people who keep weight within a 5-pound range are more likely to maintain a healthy body weight over the long term.

Facts You Should Know

Your Weight Watchers scale is a precise measuring instrument that is most accurate when weighing a stationary object. To ensure accurate readings, always try to stand on the same area of the scale platform and **DO NOT MOVE**. Should the weight on the scale exceed the scale's capacity, you may see an error message "ERR".

Electronic sensors are sensitive. Be careful not to drop or jar the scale. Place it gently onto floor surface, and store where it will be protected from impact. The scale is an electronic instrument and should never be submerged in water. Clean with damp cloth and/or glass cleaner.

In the event that the scale battery needs to be replaced, lift the snap-on battery cover on the bottom of the scale and replace the old battery with 2-3V lithium battery. **Dispose of the old battery properly. Do not attempt to open the scale or to remove any components. Servicing should be done by qualified technicians only. See warranty information below.**

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Before Using Scale

1. Set switch on the base of scale to measure in kg (kilograms) or lb (pounds).
2. Set scale on floor. Surface must be level for accurate operation and safety.

Using the Weight Only Mode

- Instructions for customizing your Weight Watchers Body Fat Monitor and Weight Tracker are below. However, the scale does not need to be programmed to operate as a simple weigh scale.
- Tap the scale to turn it on. The display will light up.
- Wait until all digits light for 2 seconds, and "0.0" appears.
- Step on the scale and adjust your position according to the leveler indicators on the display.
- The indicators show where you are off center. Dashes on the left show that too much of your weight is on the left side of the scale, dashes on the right show that too much of your weight is concentrated on the right side. Try to balance yourself in the center.
- Once you achieve the correct position, the center diamond will flash.



Off center position



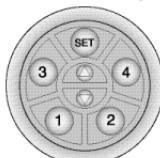
Center position

- Weight reading appears and stays for 10 seconds.
- Display times out.

Customizing Your Weight Watchers® Weight and Body Fat Monitor

This tracking scale can be customized for up to 4 users. While the customization process is not difficult, it may be easiest to read all the instructions first to familiarize yourself with them. Then keep the instruction manual handy as you go through the process step by step. Should the scale time out during the setup process (display goes dark), you can always start over.

Buttons: SET, up and down arrows, user buttons 1, 2, 3, and 4.



Setting Data for Body Fat/Hydration/BMI Measurement:

1. In power off mode, press the SET button.
2. All digits will be lit on LCD screen.



SETTING THE USER NUMBER

1. Press a user button (marked as 1, 2, 3, 4).
2. User number "P-1", "P-2", "P-3", or "P-4" flashes on the LCD.
3. Press the SET button to confirm the user number. User number becomes stable.

P1

P2

P3

P4

4. Note: If you attempt to set up a user number that is already in use, the display will flash the word "dAtA". If you press the SET button, you will overwrite the existing user data. All existing data will be lost. If you press another user button, you will proceed to that profile to enter your data. If you do nothing, the scale display will time out in 30 seconds and no data is overwritten or lost.

SETTING A PASS CODE

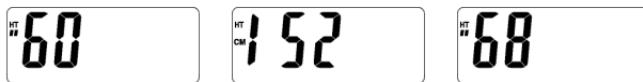
1. To protect your personal data, your Weight Watchers scale is equipped with a pass code feature.
2. The display will flash "C" until a pass code is entered or the SET button is pressed.
3. If you do not wish to set a pass code for your user number, press the SET button. The scale will then enter the height setting mode (below).
4. To set a pass code, use the user buttons marked 1, 2, 3, and 4 to enter a 4-digit pass code (for instance: 1232 or 4431, etc). Each time a user button is pressed, the number appears and blinks on the screen. If you accidentally press the wrong number, you can keep re-entering numbers until you have the desired 4-digit pass code. Press the SET button to accept your 4-digit code. The pass code becomes stable.



5. The scale is now ready to enter your height.

SETTING HEIGHT

1. The height indicator "HT" and inch symbol flash if your scale is set to measure in pounds; if it is set to weigh in kg, the height will be measured in cm.
2. Press the up or down arrows in the middle of your button array to scroll to the correct height. Pressing and holding either the up or the down arrow advances the numbers more quickly.
3. Press SET to accept the height. Height number becomes stable.
4. Your scale is now ready to enter the age-setting mode.



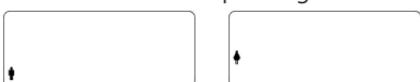
SETTING AGE

1. "AGE" appears on the display and the default age 30 flashes.
2. Press the up or down arrows in the middle of your button array to scroll to the correct age. Pressing and holding either the up or the down arrow advances the numbers more quickly.
3. Press SET to accept the age. Age number becomes stable.
4. Your scale is now ready to enter the gender setting mode.



SETTING GENDER

1. A gender icon (female/male) appears on the display and flashes.
2. Press the up or down arrows in the middle of your button array to switch to the other gender.
3. Press SET to accept the gender. Gender icon becomes stable.



SETTING BMI LEVEL

The scale automatically calculates your Body Mass Index (BMI) and based on that calculation and other data, assigns a BMI level (L1, L2, L3, L4, L5) which is closely related to fitness (see section "About BMI Levels"). For many people, the initial level will be L2 or L3. The BMI level is assigned automatically and you do not need to program it. To leave the automatically assigned level in place, you do not need to do anything. Your scale will move on to the "Data Display" below.

If you are athletic, with good overall fitness, you work out on a regular basis, and the scale has assigned you a BMI Level of L1, L2, or L3, you may want to consider manually changing the BMI level. You will need to go through the customization procedure described above again.

1. At the "Setting Gender" step, once you have chosen your correct gender, do not press the SET button, but instead press your user number.
2. Scale will enter BMI level setting mode and you can use the up or down arrows to choose the level appropriate for you.
3. Press SET to confirm level.
4. Scale will move on to data display.

DATA DISPLAY

1. Once gender has been set, you have completed the data setting for body fat/ hydration/ BMI measurements.
2. All stored data automatically runs on the screen for 2 seconds in setting sequence: user number, pass code, height, age, and gender.
3. Press the SET button to skip the data display or press your user button again to go through the whole setting procedure again and change the data. If you do nothing, scale advances to point 4 below.



4. The display goes to "0.0" to show that the scale is now ready to enter your weight data.

SETTING DATA FOR WEIGHT TRACKING

CURRENT WEIGHT

1. After data has been set for body fat measurement and after "0.0" appears on the screen, step on the scale.
2. Adjust your position on the scale according to the leveler indicators on the display. The indicators show where you are off center. Dashes on the left show that too much of your weight is on the left side of the scale; dashes on the right show that too much of your weight is concentrated on the right side. Try to balance yourself in the center.



3. Once you achieve the correct position, the center diamond will flash.
4. The scale displays your weight.

START WEIGHT

1. After displaying your current weight for a few seconds, the word START will blink underneath.
2. Press the SET button to accept your current weight as start weight.
3. START becomes stable for 2 seconds.

150 LB

150 LB
START

GOAL WEIGHT

1. Following established health guidelines, the scale will now automatically calculate your goal as 10% off your start weight.
2. The Goal weight blinks.
 - Press the SET button within 30 seconds to accept your automatically calculated goal weight. Goal weight becomes stable.
 - Or press the up or down arrows to change the goal weight manually and then press the SET button once the desired goal weight has been reached. Goal weight becomes stable.
3. After the goal weight has been set, the scale will time out. Your scale is now ready for tracking and monitoring your body fat, body water (hydration), BMI and weight.

135 LB
GOAL

USING YOUR WEIGHT WATCHERS WEIGHT AND BODY FAT MONITOR

Now that your scale has been customized for you, it is ready for easy everyday use. Your scale will show you a multitude of measurements. After several uses, you will get used to the way information is displayed. (Please also refer to the quick reference label on the scale.) Generally, the scale will display the following in this order:

- current weight
- current body fat in lbs
- current body fat in %
- current body water %
- current BMI
- current weight again
- difference between current weight and last weight
- difference between current weight and start weight
- difference between current weight and goal weight

Note that until you have weighed yourself several times, the scale will not have enough measurements to show differences in weight and to show graphs of other measurements. Scale will display "0.0" or "Null" until enough data has been entered.

BODY FAT MEASUREMENT AND WEIGHT TRACKING

Note: If you do not wish to track all your measurements (body fat, body water, BMI, as well as current weight, and difference between current weight and start, last and goal weights), you do not have to go through the entire sequence every time you weigh in.

1. If you wish to go through the body fat sequence only, press the user number and the up arrow. Then follow the directions below for the body fat sequence.
2. If you wish to track your weight only, press your user number and the down arrow. Then follow directions below for the weight-tracking sequence.

BODY FAT SEQUENCE

Precautions for Use: **CAUTION!** Use of this device by persons with any electrical implant such as a heart pacemaker, or by pregnant women, is not recommended.

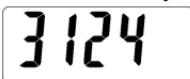
SELECT USER NUMBER

In power off mode, press the correct user button. Your user number appears on the screen (i.e. P-2) and blinks 3 times.



ENTER PASS CODE

1. If you have set a pass code, "C" appears and blinks until the correct 4-digit code is entered.
2. Enter your 4-digit code by pressing the numbered user buttons.
3. The correctly entered code becomes stable.



4. If no code has previously been set or after the correct code is entered, the display goes to "0.0".
5. If you cannot remember your pass code, press and hold your user button for 3 seconds. Your previously entered pass code will show for 2 seconds. Then the display will show "0.0".



WEIGHING IN

1. Step on the scale BAREFOOT, making sure the balls of your feet cover the metal plates, and adjust your position according to the leveler indicators on the display.
2. The indicators show where you are off center. Dashes on the left show that too much of your weight is on the left side of the scale; dashes on the right show that too much of your weight is concentrated on the right side. Try to balance yourself in the center.
3. Once you achieve the correct position, the center diamond will flash.

CURRENT WEIGHT

1. Your current weight reading appears on the display and displays for several seconds.
2. To the right of the digit display, a chart lights up that graphically displays your last 7 weights, with today's weight on the far right and the oldest weight on the far left. Every time a new weight is added to the chart, the oldest weight drops off the chart.



BODY FAT WEIGHT

The letters "BF" for body fat and "LB" for pounds (if your scale is set to measure in pounds) or "KG" (if your scale is set to measure in kgs) will light up. The 7-day chart to the right of the digit display will display your body fat weight for the last 7 days (with today's measurement on the far right). Please see section on weight and body fat percentage below for further explanation on the relation between weight and body fat.



BODY FAT PERCENTAGE

The letters "BF" for body fat and "%" will light up. The 7-day chart to the right of the digit display will display your body fat weight for the last 7 days (with today's measurement on the far right).



BODY WATER PERCENTAGE

The letters "BW" for body water (also called hydration) light up and your body water percentage displays. The 7-day chart to the right of the digit display will display your body water percentages for the last 7 days (with today's measurement on the far right).



BMI

The letters "BMI" for Body Mass Index light up and your body mass index displays. The 7-day chart to the right of the digit display will display your body mass index for the last 7 days (with today's measurement on the far right). Please read "About BMI" for further explanation on the relation of body mass index to fitness and weight.



BMI LEVELS

During all displays, your BMI level is displayed – L1, L2, L3, etc. See "About BMI Levels" for further explanation.

REPEAT BODY FAT SEQUENCE

To review BF, BW and BMI, press the SET button within 4 seconds after your BMI appears.

WEIGHT TRACKING SEQUENCE

CURRENT WEIGHT

After your BMI display, your current weight reading will appear again for several seconds together with the bar chart.



The "delta" displays show the difference between your current and your last weight, your current and your start weight and your current and your goal weight.

DELTA LAST

After a few seconds of the current weight display, the display automatically moves to the next screen—DELTA LAST illuminates on the display. Delta Last shows the difference between your current and your last weight. Delta Last = Current weight – Last weight.



DELTA START

After a few seconds display of Delta Last, DELTA START illuminates on the display. Delta Start shows the difference between your current weight and your start weight. Delta Start = Current Weight – Start Weight.



DELTA GOAL

After a few seconds display of Delta Start, DELTA GOAL illuminates on the display. Delta Goal is the difference between your current weight and your goal weight. Delta Goal = Current Weight – Goal Weight.



After the Delta Goal display, the scale will time out unless another button is pressed. See below for options of scrolling through different displays.

TO SCROLL THROUGH DELTA DISPLAY

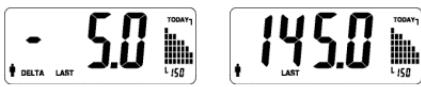
Delta Start, Delta Goal and Delta Last can be reviewed individually and repeatedly. Each time the SET button is pressed, the screen moves to the next display.

Delta Last → Delta Start → Delta Goal → Display times out

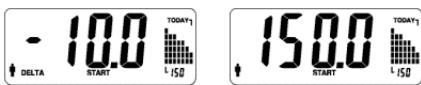


TO SCROLL THROUGH ABSOLUTE WEIGHT DISPLAYS

At the delta last display stage, press and hold the SET button; the delta last reading disappears, and the last weight reading (absolute number, i.e., 145lbs) comes up on the screen with LAST illuminated. Release the SET button and the screen will move to Delta Start.



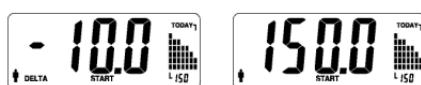
At the delta start display stage, press and hold the SET button; the delta start reading disappears, and your start weight reading (absolute number, i.e., 150lbs) comes up on the screen with START illuminated. Release the SET button and the screen will move to Delta Goal.



At the delta goal display stage, press and hold SET button; the delta goal reading disappears, and your goal weight reading comes up on the display with GOAL illuminated.

ADJUSTING YOUR GOAL WEIGHT AFTER THE BEGINNING OF A PROGRAM

- With the SET button pressed, also press the up arrow to adjust the goal upward or the down arrow to adjust the goal weight downward. Increments are 1lb for each push of the up/down arrows.
- Once desired goal weight has been manually programmed, release SET button.
- 4 seconds after the SET button has been released, you can press the SET button again to cycle from delta last/last weight to delta goal/goal weight. Display times out in a few seconds after the SET button has been released at goal weight display stage.



Delta Last/Last Weight

Delta Start-/Start Weight

Delta Goal/Goal Weight



User can press and hold SET button without releasing it to scroll through only absolute weight readings.

Last Weight

Start Weight

Goal Weight



REVIEWING BODY FAT DATA

1. In power off mode, press the correct user number. User number appears on the screen (i.e. P-2) and blinks 3 times. While user number is blinking, press up arrow twice.
2. If pass code had been previously set, "C" appears and blinks until the correct 4-digit code is entered.
3. Display scrolls automatically through height, age, gender, body fat weight, body water rate and BMI. All data shows for a few seconds.
4. Display times out.

REVIEWING WEIGHT TRACKING DATA

1. In power off mode, press user number. User number appears on the screen (i.e. P-2) and blinks 3 times. While user number is blinking, press down arrow twice.
2. If pass code had been previously set, "C" appears and blinks until the correct 4-digit code is entered.
3. Delta Last appears. Then follow procedures for scrolling through delta and absolute displays above.
4. Display times out.